A regular meeting of the Michigan Public School Employees Retirement System Board was held at the General Office Building, 7150 Harris Drive, Conference Room A, Dimondale, Michigan, on Thursday, January 26, 2012. The following members, staff, and observers participated:

Members Present: Lenore Croudy, Community College Trustee

Jonathan Fielbrandt, Active Classroom Teacher Member Steven Jagusch, General Public Member, Investment Experience

Scott Koenigsknecht, Active Superintendent Member Edwin Martinson, Reporting Unit Board of Control Member

John Olekszyk, Retiree Member

Diana Osborn, Non-Certified Support Member Timothy Raymer, Finance/Operations Member, Non-superintendent

Michael Ringuette, General Public Member, Actuarial Experience

Charles Thomas, Retired Finance/Operations Member and as a representative of the largest retiree organization

Staff Present:

Phil Stoddard, Executive Secretary Chanda Donnan, Recording Secretary

Others Present: Mark Guastella, Sue Johnson, Don Johnson, Chuck Abshagen, Les Nixon, and Bob Wiles of the Michigan Association of Retired School Personnel; Earl Hagstrom of MEA-Retired; Richard Schaper of Western Michigan University; Joanne Moore and Regina Jamerson of Blue Cross Blue Shield of Michigan; Anthony Robinson of Delta Dental; Richard Williams of Williams & Co.; Ben Louagie, and Virginia Gibson of Gabriel, Roeder, Smith and Co.; Paula Brawdy, Andrea Robinson, and Mary Ann Knowles of Priority Health, Lori Wheelright of ADH, Carol Nolan of EyeMed, Patrick Fitzgerald of the Office of Attorney General; and Laurie Hill, of the Office of Retirement Services.

Call to Order

Chair Diana Osborn called the meeting to order at 10:31 a.m.

Excusing of Absent Members

Lenore Croudy moved, Michael Ringuette supported, to excuse the absences of Ivy Bailey and Michael Flanagan. The motion carried unanimously.

Approval of Agenda

Charles Thomas moved, Michael Ringuette supported, to approve the agenda as presented. The motion carried unanimously.

Approval of Minutes

John Olekszyk moved, Charles Thomas supported, to approve the minutes of the December 8, 2011, meeting as presented. The motion carried unanimously.

Administrative Hearings

Proposal for Decision - Docket 2011-35459 PSRS

The Board considered the case materials. Edwin Martinson moved, John Olekszyk supported, that the Board adopt as its own the recommendations of the Presiding Officer in the October 17, 2011 Proposal for Decision, including the proposed Findings of Fact and Conclusions of Law, and deny Petitioner's application for non-duty disability retirement benefits under MCL 38.1386. The motion carried unanimously.

Proposal for Decision - Docket 2011-31266 PSRS

The Board considered the case materials. Michael Ringuette moved, John Olekszyk supported, that the Board adopt as its own the recommendations of the Presiding Officer in the September 29, 2011 Proposal for Decision, including the proposed Findings of Fact and Conclusions of Law, and deny Petitioner's request for non-duty disability retirement benefits under MCL 38.1386. The motion carried unanimously.

Proposal for Decision - Docket 2011-28483 PSRS

The Board considered the case materials. Edwin Martinson moved, Michael Ringuette supported, that the Board adopt as its own the recommendations of the Presiding Officer in the September 29, 2011 Proposal for Decision, except for the changes offered by Respondent in its Exceptions and Reply to Exceptions, including the proposed Findings of Fact and Conclusions of Law, and deny Petitioner's application for non-duty disability retirement benefits under MCL 38.1386, using the form of decision and order provided by Respondent. The motion carried unanimously.

Proposal for Decision - Docket 2011-36763 PSRS

Edwin Martinson abstained from discussion and voting on this matter.

The Board considered the case materials. Michael Ringuette moved, Jonathon Fielbrandt supported, that the Board adopt as its own the recommendations of the Presiding Officer in the October 19, 2011 Proposal for Decision, including the proposed Findings of Fact and Conclusions of Law, and deny Petitioner's application to retire effective July 1, 2010 for failure to establish a bona fide termination, as set forth under MCL 38.1361(8), until August 2010. The motion carried.

Proposal for Decision - Docket 2011-18624 PSRS

The Board considered the case materials. John Olekszyk moved, Timothy Raymer supported, that the Board adopt as its own the recommendations of the Presiding Officer in the September 16, 2011 Proposal for Decision, including the proposed Findings of Fact and Conclusions of Law, and deny Petitioner's application for non-duty disability retirement benefits under MCL 38.1386. The motion carried unanimously.

Standing Reports

Legislative Committee Report

John Olekszyk reported that the committee met prior to the meeting regarding recent legislation affecting the State Employees' Retirement System and that similar legislation is being considered for the Public School Employees' Retirement System.

Health Insurance Committee Report

Will meet following the Board meeting.

Executive Secretary Comments

Phil Stoddard thanked the retiree groups for helping members understand pension taxation and changes that took place January 1 by increasing awareness.

Board Comments

Timothy Raymer thanked Phil Stoddard for his presentation to the Michigan School Business Officials.

Public Comment

No comments were received.

Adjournment

Charles Thomas moved, Timothy Raymer supported, to adjourn the meeting. The motion carried unanimously. Meeting adjourned at 10:59 a.m.

OFFICIAL MINUTES

Chair Meland

Executive Secretary